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March 25, 1993

James H. Quello, Acting Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
1919 M Street, NW
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Dear Mr. Quello:

Enclosed is a letter I recently received from the City of Fargo, North Dakota, regarding proposed changes in the telecommunications code by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). As you will see in the letter, the city is very concerned that the proposed FCC changes will seriously impair the city's ability to offer emergency communications.

I would greatly appreciate your consideration of their concerns. If I can be of any assistance in this matter, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,


Byron L. Dorgan
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Thanks!



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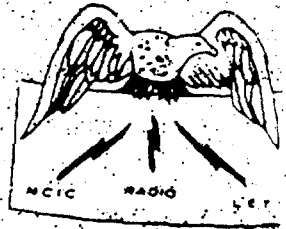
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cause a full system changeout in North Dakota. Mobile and portable radios are estimated to cost approximately \$7,000,000. Another \$6,000,000 dollars would be necessary to change out all of our base stations and repeaters. These are costs that are out of reach for our North Dakota citizens. Every city and county would be effected.

4/ There is no interoperability between the new and old